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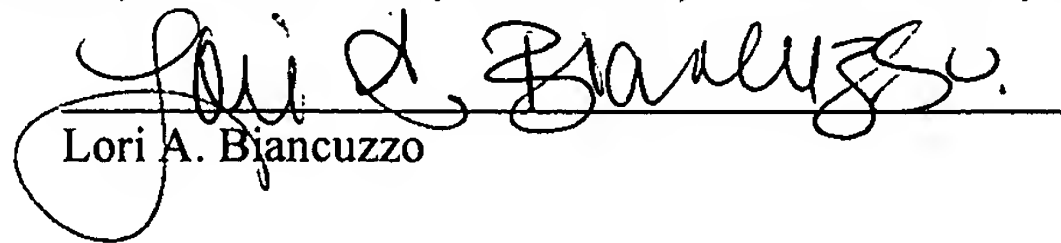
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MANIFOLD CONNECTIONS IN A COMMON PLANE

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Sir:

Prior to Examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 2 of this paper and include both attached replacement sheets and annotated sheets showing changes. An Appendix including amended drawing figures is attached following page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 3 of this paper.

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**Amendments to the Drawings**

Please replace Fig(s). 5, 6, 7, and 9 with the attached replacement figures.